

## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

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Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Hiroshi Akiyama, entitled Noise Level Detecting Circuit, for a(n):

- (X) Original Patent Application.  
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    ( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
        of prior application No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed on: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

## Enclosed are:

- (X) Specification; 23 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s); 6 Total Sheets.  
(X) Oath or Declaration:  
    (X) A Newly Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:  
        (X) Signed. ( ) Unsigned. ( ) Partially Signed.  
    ( ) A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).  
        ( ) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the  
            oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying  
            application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.  
        ( ) Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).  
    ( ) Power of Attorney. (X) Return Receipt Postcard.  
    ( ) Associate Power of Attorney. (X) A Check in the amount of \$ 750.00 for the Filing Fee.  
    ( ) Preliminary Amendment. (X) Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449.  
    ( ) A Duplicate Copy of this Form for Processing Fee Against Deposit Account.  
(X) A Certified Copy of Priority Documents (if foreign priority is claimed).  
    ( ) A Certified Copy of Priority Documents was previously filed in parent application Serial No. No: .  
    ( ) Applicant Claims Status as a Small Entity.  
    ( ) Statement(s) of Status as a Small Entity Filed in Prior Application, Status Still Proper and Desired.  
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